

(ii) re: **The fire accident at Udeva Village, Tarikere Taluk on 17th January 1970.**

Sri M. MALLAPPA.—Sir, I call the attention of the Minister for Revenue to the fire accident at Udeva Village, Tarikere Taluk, on 17th January 1970.

† **Sri H. V. KOUJALGI** (Minister for Revenue).—An accidental fire broke out on 17th January 1970 at about 1 P.M. at Udeva village, Tarikere Taluk, Chickmagalur District in which 38 hutments were burnt. The fire was xtinguished at about 10 P.M. with the assistance of the local officers and non-officials of the said village. Two lorries of the Public Works Department and one private tractor were used for bringing water to extinguish the fire. The total loss is estimated at Rs. 32,685. Out of 38 huts burnt, 10 belonged to Kurbas, 8 to Valmiki people and 20 to labouries. One person who received injuries in the fire has been admitted at the Government hospital at Birur and is under treatment. He is reported to be recovering. The affected persons who are about 210 in number are accommodated in the village Panchayat Hall, School building, Temple and private houses.

The Tahsildar, Tarikere has collected Rs. 1,000 in cash for purchase of bed sheets and sarees for free distribution among the sufferers. People have contributed grains and have also arranged free feeding for the victims for one week.

The District Development Assistant and the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Chickmagalur have also visited the spot.

The Deputy Commissioner has placed an additional allotment of Rs. 3,000 at the disposal of the Tahsildar, Tarikere, for affording immediate cash relief and has instructed the Tahsildar to grant building materials also to the sufferers of the fire accident.

Sri M. MALLAPPA.—Many thanks for the urgent relief given. More than 210 persons were affected by this accident. Will you give some more relief?

Sri H. V. KOUJALGI.—The Tahsildar and the Deputy Commissioner are entitled to grant more relief taking into consideration the circumstances and the necessity.

(iii) re: **Collection of penal Interest on loans from ryots**

Sri B. GANGANNA.—I call the attention of the Minister for Revenue to the collection of penal interest from the ryots on suspended instalments of loans.

Sri H. V. KOUJALGI.—As per Note below Article 197 of the Mysore Finance Code, when the recovery of loan instalments in respect of (1) Loans under the Mysore Land Improvement Loans Act, 1963,